

| PATENT AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL (Provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 Apply) | | | |
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| Application Number | 10/796,799 | Filing Date | March 9, 2004 |
| Group Art Unit | 1755 | Examiner Name | Xu, Ling X. |
| Confirmation No. | 3156 | Attorney Docket No. | 815_013 |
| Inventor(s) | Hirotake YAMADA | | |
| Invention: | CERAMIC MEMBER | | |

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

| (1) | (2) Claims Remaining After Amendment | (3) | (4) Highest Number Previously Paid | (5) No. of Extra Claims Present | (6) Rate (Large Entity) | (7) Additional Fee |
|--|--|-------|--|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 18 | MINUS | 20 | 0 | \$50.00 | \$00.00 |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 3 | MINUS | 3 | 0 | \$200.00 | \$00.00 |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | | | | \$00.00 |

EXTENSION OF TERM

Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The requested extension and appropriate non-small entity fee are as follows:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$120.00 | \$ 120.00 |
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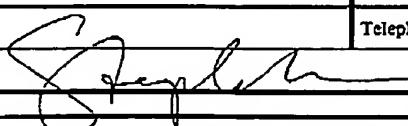
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is:

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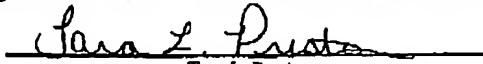
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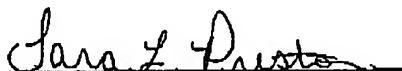
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